



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:)

Masayuki TODA et al.)

Application No.: 09/381,061)

Filing Date: December 6, 1999)

Title: SUBSTRATE BODY-FLOATING
APPARATUS)

Art Group: 1763

Examiner: R. BUEKEK

RESPONSE

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated November 7, 2001,
having a due date of February 7, 2002, which has been extended by
three months by the contemporaneously filed Petition of Extension
of Time, now having a due date of May 7, 2002, Applicant hereby
submits the following Amendment.

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 are pending and rejected in the present
application.

Applicant has provided a substitute specification, as well
as, substitute drawings as requested by the Examiner.

5 Furthermore, Applicant has amended Fig. 1 of the drawings to
include reference numeral 102. Applicant respectfully submits
that the substitute specification and drawings do not contain new
matter.

